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BOOK REVIEWS.

THE VIRGINIA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION. Report of the 10th Annual Meeting, July 5, 6 and 7, 1898. Edited by Eugene C. Massie, Secretary.

This would be an extremely handsome volume, but for the character of some of the cuts. The portraits of Judge Hoar, of the late Attorney-General Scott, and of the late R. G. H. Kean, are especially conspicuous as examples of inartistic work. The illustrations of Old Point and its environs are in striking contrast with the portraits, and constitute a pleasing feature of the volume.

The Report is full of interesting matter, much of which we have heretofore noticed.

GENERAL DIGEST, American and English, Annotated. Volume V, New Series: Rochester, N. Y. The Lawyers Co-Operative Publishing Company. 1898.

We have heretofore spoken of this work in terms of commendation. This volume contains the syllabus of every reported case, published between January 1 and July 1, 1898, English and American. Unofficial as well as official reports are cited, and whether the report be contained in law magazines or bound volumes. For example, in digesting the case of *Ritter v. Mutual Life Insurance Company*, the following references to full reports of the case are given: 169 U. S. 139; Advance Sheets U. S. 325; 42 Law Ed. 693; 3 Va. Law Reg. 776; 30 Chicago Legal News, 195; 18 Sup. Ct. 300; 27 Ins. L. J. 804. The convenience of this to the practitioner is obvious. The annotations constitute a valuable feature of the digest. The arrangement of the matter for hasty search, and the mechanical make-up of the volume, seem to be all that could be desired.